

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action has been carefully considered. It is respectfully submitted that the issues raised are traversed, being hereinafter addressed with reference to the relevant headings appearing in the Detailed Action section of the Office Action.

Claim Rejections 112

Claims 1-6 have been rejected by the Examiner as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the applicant regards as the invention. Furthermore, claim 1 to 6 have rejected as being indefinite for failing to point out what is included or excluded by the claim language. In particular, the Examiner has stated that "*no patentable weight is given to methods of making claims drawn to structure*".

Claim 1 has been amended to include structural features of the integrated circuit. Claims 2 to 6 have been cancelled. New claims 16 to 24 have been introduced which are directed towards further structural features of the integrated circuit. Support for these amendments can be found at paragraphs 4367 to 4370 of the specification.

The Applicant respectfully submits that as the claims are directed towards structural features of the integrated circuit, the structural features of the claims should be given patentable weight.


Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejections. The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance of all the claims presently under examination.

Very respectfully,

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